

# Pullan Speaks Out For Victims' Rights

Wasatch County Attorney Derek Pullan, J.D., will be a featured speaker at a statewide conference in April sponsored by the Utah Council on Victims of Crime.

Pullan will conduct a workshop titled, "How Prosecutors and Investigators Can Use Victim's Rights In Utah To Strengthen Criminal Cases."

The 14th annual Crime Victims Conference will be held at the Utah State Capitol on April

25 and 26.

Pullan joins many illustrious speakers featured at the conference.

Keynote speaker is Anne Seymour, a Washington, D.C. consultant specializing in criminal and juvenile justice, crime victims' rights and services, and public safety. She is the co-author of *Rape in America: A Report of the Nation* and the principal author of *Report and Recommendations on Victims of Juvenile Offenders*.

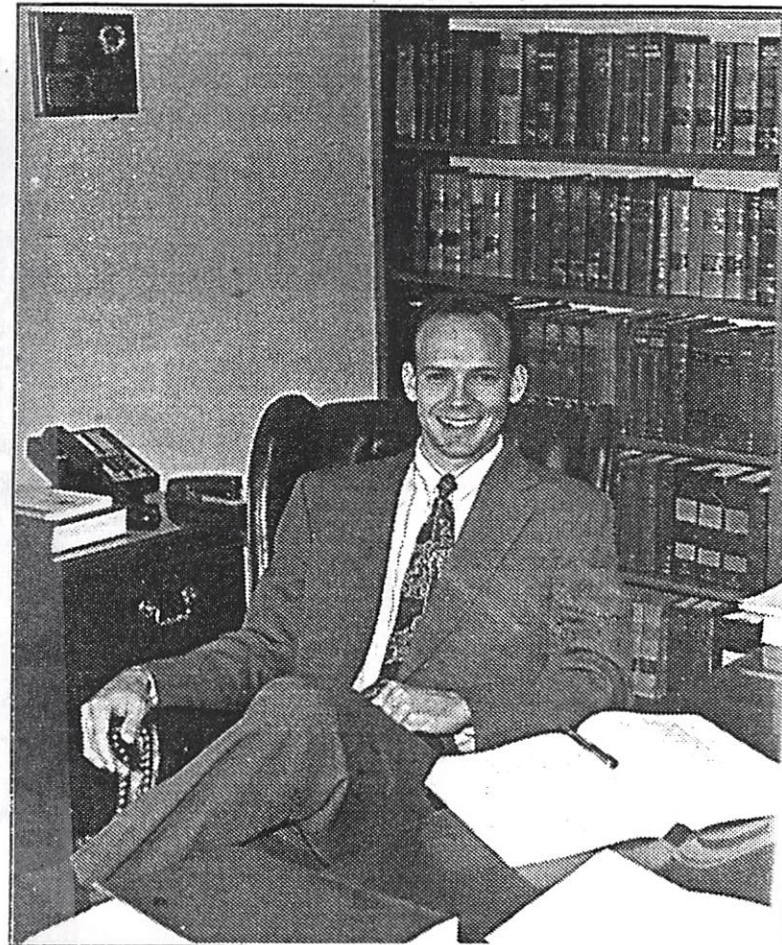
The special guest presenter is Anne Graffam Walker, a former professional court reporter and an internationally known forensic linguist who specializes in courtroom communication. She is the author of *Handbook on Questioning Children: A Linguistic Perspective*.

Other featured presenters are: Pilar Shortsleeve, Mary E. Doty, Kathy Ockey, and Senior Chaplain Marilyn Russell, Debra Daniels, and Paul Cassell.

Some subject highlights at the conference are; "Turning Victim Weaknesses Into Strengths," and "DNA Profiling and Indexing."

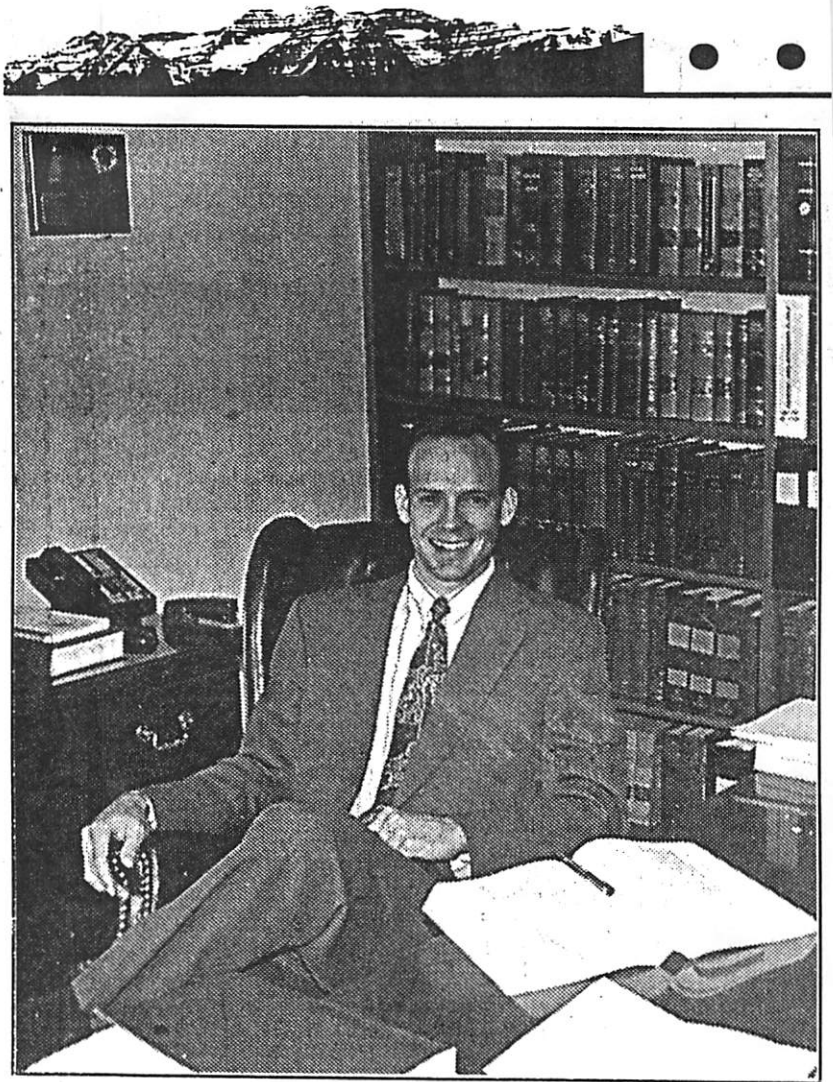


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## County Welcomes Deputy Attorney

Wasatch County has a new member of the law enforcement community. Derek P. Pullan, 27, has been hired as the new Deputy County Attorney. Pullan will assist County Attorney Dan Matthews in prosecuting offenders in Wasatch County courts.

Pullan is a 1993 graduate of the BYU Law School and former prosecutor with the Washington County Attorney's Office. He has also worked as a law clerk for Utah Supreme Court Justice Richard C. Howe.

Currently living in Pleasant

Grove, Pullan says he and his wife are hoping to move to Heber Valley as soon as possible. "I'm really looking forward to working here," says Pullan, who grew up vacationing in Wasatch County with his family. He adds he and his wife had been wanting to live in the Heber area for several years.

Pullan's wife, Laurisa, is a registered nurse at Utah Valley Regional Medical Center. She is also a graduate of BYU. The couple has two children, three-year-old Rachel and four-month-old Daniel.